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and plead with every voter that we have, participate in government, with its basic function, exercise your right to vote? We beg, we plead, we lament that nobody goes out and votes. We ask them to do it. Is it justice because of ministerial mistake to not to count that vote?

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Is it justice, is it justice to have the voters do everything that was asked of them and then, in good faith when they voted, to throw it out? Is it justice to have a law overrule reason? And I conclude it's not, that the law doesn't and shouldn't overrule reason and I don't believe we should here as well this morning. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Now we go to Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the body, I would like to take the members of this body back to the year of 1921. The Constitution of the State of Nebraska says that all citizens have the right to vote. So back in 1921, this body created the disabled ballot. This body decided, well, there are some folks who cannot go to the courthouse or to the voting place to vote. How are we going to take care of those people to conform to the Constitution that everyone has the right to vote? So the law was created to follow the Constitution. Somebody got up and said, hey, wait a minute, we can't follow the Constitution of the State of Nebraska because there are people who are in wheelchairs, can't get in the courthouses, they're homebound. There are lots of reasons that they can't go vote so we have to create a method to allow those folks to vote because that's what our Nebraska Constitution says. So this body created the disabled ballot. Yes, this body made it a privilege. They made it a privilege if they're disabled or you could have an absentee ballot. Now the debate is, hey folks, we really didn't mean what we said when we were going to count your absentee ballot. We didn't mean that. We're going to throw them out. We're not going to count them. We're not going to count them because the statute says, the statute, that the method was violated. So we created this to conform to the Constitution and now we're saying we're going to throw it out, the statute says this, but it was created to follow the Constitution. Now Senator Chambers made reference to his remarks on January 30, 1975 in reference to the